



# News and Notes



for Bodenham, Britford, Charlton All Saints, Nunton and Odstock December 2016

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## Thank you

I have been asked by a reader to pass on thanks to all those people who are involved in the production and distribution of News and Notes. There is a very loyal team who work hard to make sure copies are made and delivered in our five villages each month, and, before they do their work, the contributors and proof-reader do theirs. I would like to send my thanks to them all, as well. They really do a splendid job.

Christmas is, of course, a special time of thanks; for cards, presents, hospitality, parties, meals and all sorts of other kindnesses shown during this period.

Saying 'Thank you' is something we do in our churches at Christmas time. We thank God for his gift to us; Jesus Christ. If you'd like to join in those thanks, we'd love to see you at one or more of the Christmas services below, and, indeed, at any other of our services throughout the year

*Editor*

## Church of England Services

4 <sup>th</sup> December 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Family Service Family Communion Evensong (BCP)	Britford Nunton Coombe Bissett Homington	RW AT JT JT
11 <sup>th</sup> December 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Choral Mattins (BCP) Family Service	Odstock Charlton All Saints Coombe Bissett	CB MC JT
18 <sup>th</sup> December 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent	11.00am 4.00pm 6.00pm 6.00pm	Parish Communion Carol Service Carol & Crib Service Carol Service	Homington Britford Nunton Coombe Bissett	AP JT RW JT
20 <sup>th</sup> December	4.00pm	Children's Christingle	Charlton All Saints	RW
24 <sup>th</sup> December Christmas Eve	6.00pm 11.00pm 11.00pm	Nine Lessons & Carols Midnight Eucharist Midnight Eucharist	Homington Charlton All Saints Coombe Bissett	JT RW JT
25 <sup>th</sup> December Christmas Day	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) Family Communion Family Communion Family Service	Homington Britford Odstock Coombe Bissett	JT JT RW JT
1 <sup>st</sup> January 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Christmas	10.00am 11.00am	Short Benefice Communion Morning Service & Lunch	Bishopstone Broad Chalke Chapel	CB CB

CB = Revd Catherine Blundell, JT = Revd Jenny Taylor, RW = Revd Rick Williams,  
AP = Revd Ann Philp, MC = Michael Chandler, AT = Adrian Taylor  
TM = Tony Monds BCP = Book of Common Prayer

*Team Rector ~ Revd Catherine Blundell: 01722 780134*

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*Team Vicar ~ Revd Rick Williams: 01722 330628*

*Team Administrator ~ Mrs Helen Atkinson: 01722 781112*

## Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham WI

Carol Stratton

The meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> November was held as usual at the Radnor Hall. The business meeting commenced with a report from the Treasurer and the forthcoming events in the County were announced by the Secretary. The sub groups gave their reports and details of their next month's meetings. Elizabeth Cutter, who was standing in for Heather Marrison, our President, gave the details of the Christmas meeting which will be on 12<sup>th</sup> December. There will be a Headdress Competition, Christmas Quiz, Christmas bring and buy stall, Raffle, Christmas Choir, and Mince Pies and Mulled Wine. The presents for the Christian Charity "Alabare" should be wrapped and labelled with their contents and brought to this meeting. Hatty Hillier gave the latest news about the "Living Memory" project and said that very few graves had been found in the area of men who had been killed in the Battle of the Somme.

Today was the first time the new cloth for the President's table had been used; it had been made by Elizabeth Cutter, Susie Appleford, Gill Swatridge and Carol Stratton. A photograph was taken and will be sent to the "Wiltshire News".

The speaker for this morning was Bruce Worthy, who filled in for the arranged speaker at the last minute. His interesting talk was titled "Pageantry Pride and Nostalgia". Bruce talked about the Royal Family from 1947 and the Wedding of our Queen to the present day and the pageantry surrounding them. His talk included a film illustrating different ceremonies, Weddings, Funerals, the Coronation, The State Opening of Parliament. Trooping of the Colour and many more.

The ACWW competition for a Christmas Ode was won by Hatty Hillier.

### Items available:

- Six Large Rockery Stones
- Rhubarb Roots

- to be collected by whoever wants them.

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## Charlton All Saints Bonfire Bash 2016

Jackie and Graham Barrett

Many thanks to the people who helped make the Charlton All Saints Bonfire Bash a great success!

We made £390 profit which will go to Charlton All Saints Church Funds.

After 15 years of running the event (and raising almost £4,000 for the church), we feel it is time for us to step down. If anyone would like to take on the organisation for 2017, we are happy to pass on our knowledge.

### Car Keys

Some cars keys on VW fob were found at Odstock Crossroads on the morning of 22<sup>nd</sup> October. If you think they may be yours, please call 01722 332727.

*Chalke Valley Churches at Nunton*

## Holiday Messy Church

**"Christmas"**

**Monday 19th December  
from 10.00am - 12.00 noon**

**The Barker Room and  
in Nunton Church**

for children under 12  
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email [dunderh942@btinternet.com](mailto:dunderh942@btinternet.com)**

## Pumpkin Competition

The Grand Pumpkin Competition Weigh-in was held at the Radnor Arms on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. The heaviest pumpkin belonged to John Martin, weighing in at 61lb; second was Marco (and Paul) 55lb and third Terry & Jenny Ruddle 33lb. Thank you to everyone who supported this event which raised £280 for the Stars Appeal.

In 2017, I'm trekking the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu to raise money for the Stars Appeal, Salisbury District Hospital's charity. If you'd like to sponsor me, you can do so here: <http://www.justgiving.com/J-POYNTING>

## Choir for Carols

We are forming a choir to sing at the Carol and Crib Service at St Andrew's, Nunton on the evening of 18<sup>th</sup> December. If you would like to sing with us, please call Adrian on 01722 325862.

*Coombe Bissett & Homington Drama  
Club presents:*

**PANTO at the OK CORRAL**  
**7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> December 2016, 7.30 pm**  
**Coombe Bissett Village Hall**

Tickets £8 Children under 10 £4 (bench or seat)  
Box Office 01722 718850 from 14<sup>th</sup> November  
*Charity for this year is Wiltshire Air Ambulance*

## *Christmas at Charlton All Saints*

### **Downton Band Concert**

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December, 7.30pm**

(Raffle and Usual Refreshments)

*Gifts for the Women's Refuge would be welcome.*

*Please label "Woman", "Boy" or "Girl".*

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### **Christingle Service for the Children**

**Tuesday 20th December, 4.00pm**

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### **Midnight Communion**

**Saturday, 24th December, 11.00pm**

*More information from churchwardens,*

*Ian Ashworth and Michael Chandler*

## **CURRY NIGHT**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2017, 7.30pm**

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## **Security**

I included the following in November News and Notes: *A couple of local residents have mentioned to me that things have been taken from their garages. It may be a good time to review your security.*

This prompted two more locals to let me know of attempted break-ins, fortunately neither successful, but this does underline the need for vigilance. The police have advised not to tackle any suspicious intruders, but to call 999.

## **Carol Singing**

**Odstock - Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm**

Please meet at Odstock crossroads.

*Ring Caroline 01722 324915 for more details.*

**Nunton - Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 6.30pm**

Please meet at the bus shelter, Nunton.

*Ring Adrian 01722 325862 for more details*

**Bodenham - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 6.00pm**

Starting at Warmans and finishing at the Old Post Office for Drinks and Nibbles.

*Ring Debby 01722 329769 for more details.*

All very welcome on any of the three evenings. Carol sheets will be provided, but please bring warm clothes and torches! Collections will be made to support The Children's Society.

## **St. Mary's Odstock**

*Sue Ratcliffe, Churchwarden, 01722 333591.*

The church will reopen, after the completion of internal repairs, on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2016 for the 9.30am Parish Communion service.

Volunteers are requested, and would be greatly appreciated, to help clean the church following its long closure in preparation for its return to use and the Christmas Day Service. Please join us at the church on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 10.00am with your cleaning materials.

## **ONB Fête**

*Jeremy Metcalfe*

Following another successful Fête, donations have been made to The WI, Salisbury Hospice, The John McNeill Centre, Friends of Longford School, Tiny Tots, Cress, The Brain Tumour Society, Odstock Parish Council and ONB PCC.

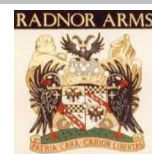
Thanks again to all those who supported the Fête to make these donations possible.

The date for next year's Fête has been set for 8<sup>th</sup> July with Ebblefest the night before.

## **Macmillan Coffee Moring**

*Hayley and Andrew Thornton*

Thank you to everybody that joined us for a cuppa and a piece of cake. £320 was raised for Macmillan Cancer Support.



## **The Radnor Arms**

***Welcome 2017 with us!***

**on 31<sup>st</sup> December the restaurant will be open  
from Noon 'til 9.00pm and the bar will be  
open from Noon 'til late!**

## ***Festive Coffee Morning and Fund Raising Bazaar***

***St Mary's Church, Homington  
Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December from 10-30am***

Enjoy a chat & a cup of coffee whilst choosing Christmas gifts, decorations, homemade produce etc. plus the chance to win a prize in the raffle.

All proceeds are for Wiltshire Air Ambulance and Homington Church Fabric Fund.

*Everyone is welcome, so please come along.*

***In Aid of World Animal Protection***

## ***Present, Pamper and Prosecco Evening***

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## ***Downton Christmas Tree Festival***

**St Laurence Church**

***Saturday 10 December 10 am – 4 pm***

***Sunday 11 December 11 am – 4 pm***

*(followed by the Carol Service at 6.30pm)*

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## **Christmas and New Year waste and recycling collection changes from Wiltshire Council**

**There will be no waste or recycling collections on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> December 2016.**

All collections during this week will be one day later than normal, with a collection on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> December. Collection days will return to normal from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2017. Garden waste collections will be suspended from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> December and restart on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January. If you have paid for a garden waste collection you can leave your real Christmas tree alongside your garden waste bin on your first garden waste collection day in January and we will ensure it is composted. To check your collection days at any time visit:

**[www.wiltshire.gov.uk/rubbish-collection-days](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/rubbish-collection-days)**

<i>Normal collection day</i>	<i>Revised household waste, black box, plastic bottles and cardboard collection day</i>	<i>Revised garden waste collection day</i>
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> Dec	No collections
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Dec	No collections
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup> Dec	No collections
Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	No collections
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Sat 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec	No collections
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	Collections as normal	No collections
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Collections as normal	No collections
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Collections as normal	No collections
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Collections as normal	No collections
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Collections as normal	No collections
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Collections as normal	Collections as normal

### **Household recycling centre opening hours**

All household recycling centres will be closed from 1pm on 24<sup>th</sup> December and all day on 25<sup>th</sup> December, 26<sup>th</sup> December and 1<sup>st</sup> January.

At all other times normal opening hours will apply, 10am – 4pm, five days per week.

Visit [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/household-recycling-centres](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/household-recycling-centres) to check which days your local centre is open.

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## Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal



Thank you for your generous support for the 2016 Poppy Appeal. The Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham village collection was £1,440.62 which included significant support from New Hall Hospital, The Radnor

Arms, The Yew Tree Inn, The Barn Dental Practice and the Odstock Day nursery, for which we are extremely grateful. I would also like to extend a special thank you to the collectors whose efforts were key in achieving this total.

The Nunton Church Remembrance Service collection was £356.91 giving a combined total of £1,773.90. This is the most we have collected in this region for as far back as our records go – an outstanding achievement.

Money raised through the Poppy Appeal goes directly to the Royal British Legion welfare work which provides through-life care to anyone who is currently serving in the British Armed Forces, who has previously served and to their families. Your kind generosity enables the Legion to continue with this valuable support.

Colonel (Retired) N T Start OBE  
Odstock Poppy Appeal Organiser (TEC20)

## Community Speedwatch

The Odstock and Nunton Community Speedwatch Team will conduct its first Speedwatch session in the two villages in early December. A Parish Council initiative it is hoped that this work will help keep vehicle speeds through the village down and contribute to the maintenance of safety for us all. If you are interested in being part of the Team please contact the Parish Council.

## Reading Group in Britford

Enid Alston

I am tired of reading my own choice of books and would love some inspiration. Is anyone interested in getting together to discuss a book as part of a regular reading group in Britford? Choice of books eclectic and by discussion. Meeting at my house – at least initially. If you are interested please phone 01722 331705 or contact me at home.



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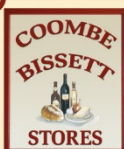
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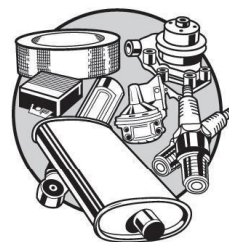
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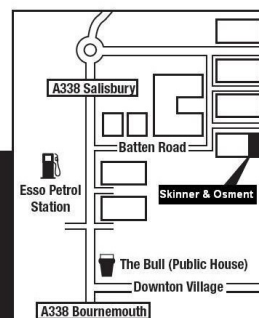
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on 01722 329760*

### Regular Events

WI	Second Monday of the month, 10.00am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham
Singing Group	Tuesdays (ex. Aug/Dec.), 4.30pm or 7.00pm, Barker Room, contact Adrian Taylor on 01722 325862
Tiny Tots	Wednesdays (ex. Aug.) 9.45 – 11.45am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham (Suzie Orchiton - 01722 502026)
Mobile Library	Britford (The Green), 10.10am – 10.30am (Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December)
Acorn Club	Coffee Morning – Wednesdays 10.30am at the Orchard
'Local Vocals'	Singing group for everybody. No need to read music. 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mondays each month. Radnor Hall, 7.30 - 9.30pm. Please check with Clare Chitty 07899 718780
Circle Dancing	Simple dances from many countries to join in with, no partner or previous experience necessary. 2nd and 4th Mondays at Radnor Hall, 7.30 - 9.30pm. Contact Clare Chitty 07899 718780
Village Prayers	If you'd like prayers to be said for someone you know, a particular situation or yourself, you may either put a note in the Village Prayers box at St Andrew's, Nunton or St Mary's, Odstock, email details to <a href="mailto:villageprayers@live.com">villageprayers@live.com</a> or come along. <b>Next meeting: 7.00pm – 15<sup>th</sup> Dec – The Barker Room, Nunton</b>

### Diary Dates

2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Present, Pamper and Prosecco Evening, Downton Memorial Hall 7.00 – 10.00pm (see page 4)
3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Coffee Morning and Bazaar, St Mary's Homington, 10.30am (see page 4)
3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Singing Our Way to Christmas, All Saints, Broad Chalke, 7.30pm (see page 4)
7 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Panto at the OK Corral, Coombe Bissett Village Hall, 7.30pm (see page 2)
10 <sup>th</sup> /11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Tree Festival, St Laurence Church, Downton (see page 4)
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Downton Band Concert, Charlton All Saints Church 7.30pm (see page 3)
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Messy Church, St Andrew's Nunton and Barker Room, 10.00 – 12.00 noon (see page 2)
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Carol Singing, Odstock, 6.30pm (see page 3)
22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Carol Singing, Nunton, 6.30pm (see page 3)
23 <sup>rd</sup> December	Carol Singing, Bodenham, 6.00pm (see page 3)
27 <sup>th</sup> January	Curry Night, Britford Memorial and Community Hall, 7.30pm (see page 3)
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Ebbfest, Nunton Field
8 <sup>th</sup> July	ONB Fête, Nunton Field

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Deadline: 18th of each month